

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Please amend claim 24 and add claim 29 as indicated among the following complete set of pending claims:

Claims 22-23. (Canceled)

Claim 24. (Currently amended) A lateral-view mirror assembly for a vehicle comprising:

a first lateral view mirror coupled to one of a rear portion and a rear windshield of the vehicle in line of sight with a rear-view mirror of the vehicle; and

a second lateral-view mirror coupled to one of the rear portion and the rear windshield of the vehicle in the line of sight with the rear-view mirror of the vehicle wherein the first lateral view mirror and the second lateral view mirror are separately coupled wherein:

an object lateral to one of a passenger's side of a rear end of the vehicle, a driver's side of the rear end of the vehicle and a combination of the passenger's side and the driver's side of the rear end of the vehicle is reflected from the rear-view mirror in response to a reflection of the object from one of the first lateral view mirror, the second lateral view mirrors and a combination of the first and second lateral view mirrors in the line of sight with the rear-view mirror.

Claim 25. (Previously presented) The assembly of claim 24, wherein the first lateral-view mirror is coupled toward the driver's side of the vehicle.

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Claim 26. (Previously presented) The assembly of claim 25, wherein the second lateral-view mirror is coupled toward the passenger's side of the vehicle.

Claim 27. (Previously presented) The assembly of claim 26, wherein the first lateral view mirror and the second lateral view mirror each include a convex mirror surface.

Claim 28. (Previously presented) The assembly of claim 24, further comprising a base operably coupled to each lateral view mirror, wherein each lateral view mirror is movable along a vertical direction and rotational about a horizontal axis.

Claim 29. (New) A lateral-view mirror assembly for a vehicle comprising:

a first lateral view mirror coupled to one of a rear portion and a rear windshield of the vehicle in line of sight with a rear-view mirror of the vehicle;

a second lateral-view mirror coupled to one of the rear portion and the rear windshield of the vehicle in the line of sight with the rear-view mirror of the vehicle wherein the first lateral view mirror and the second lateral view mirror are separately coupled and the first lateral view mirror and the second lateral view mirror each include a convex mirror surface, and

a base operably coupled to each lateral view mirror, wherein each lateral view mirror is movable along a vertical direction and rotational about a horizontal axis wherein:

an object lateral to one of a passenger's side of a rear end of the vehicle, a driver's side of the rear end of the vehicle and a combination of the passenger's side and the driver's side of the rear end of the vehicle is reflected from the rear-view mirror in response to a reflection of the object from one of the first lateral view mirror, the second lateral view mirrors and a combination of the first and second lateral view mirrors in the line of sight with the rear-view mirror.